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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANTS : Pace et al.
SERIAL NUMBER. : 09/667,328

EXAMINER : Sharmila S.
Gollamudi

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ART UNIT : 1616

CONFIRMATION NO.: 8438

FOR : *SURFACE MODIFIED PARTICULATE COMPOSITIONS OF BIOLOGICALLY ACTIVE
SUBSTANCES*

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to respond to the January 7, 2004 Office Action in the above-identified application. With the extension, a Response is due on or before July 7, 2004. A check in the amount of \$950.00 in payment of the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3), for a large entity, is enclosed herewith.

The Director is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference Number: 28069-538, Customer No. 35437. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Date: July 7, 2004

Respectfully submitted,

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